

Fire Prevention Week: Prevent Kitchen Fires

Wylie Fire-Rescue is educating students and adults on the prevention of home fires throughout the month of October in recognition of Fire Prevention Week, that took place October 6-12.

Wylie Firefighters known as the "Wylie Wild Bunch" return with a new thirty-minute, live program, Prevent Kitchen Fires. The high energy, comical, interactive program, is designed to captivate elementary students and educate them about Fire Prevention. Performed in Wylie Independent School District Elementary Schools, local daycares, and churches, the actor firefighters emphasize and reinforce the importance of kitchen safety, working smoke detectors, the use of 911, developing a home escape plan, and stop, drop, and roll.

"Elementary kids are a key audience when it comes to teaching fire safety," says Wylie Fire Marshal Steve Seddig. "Following the presentation, the students return home and are very persistent and persuasive with their parents to practice kitchen safety, check their smoke detectors, develop an escape plan and be prepared."

The National Fire Association reports that each year in the United States an estimated 2,800 children age 14 or younger are injured and 850 are killed in residential fires, making up 15-20% of all fire deaths. Of these children, over 40 percent are under the age of five, 70 percent are under the age of 10.

According to Fire Chief Randy Corbin, many of the deaths would be prevented with proper use of working smoke detectors:

- Have a smoke detector in every sleeping area and immediately outside sleeping areas.
- Check the function of your smoke detector monthly. Change batteries twice a year.
- Replace smoke detectors that are more than 10 years old.
- Do not disable a chirping smoke detector. The battery is low and the detector needs immediate attention.

Wylie Fire-Rescue will install detectors free of charge. Do not delay! Wylie residents should call 972-442-8110 to schedule a free inspection and free installation.

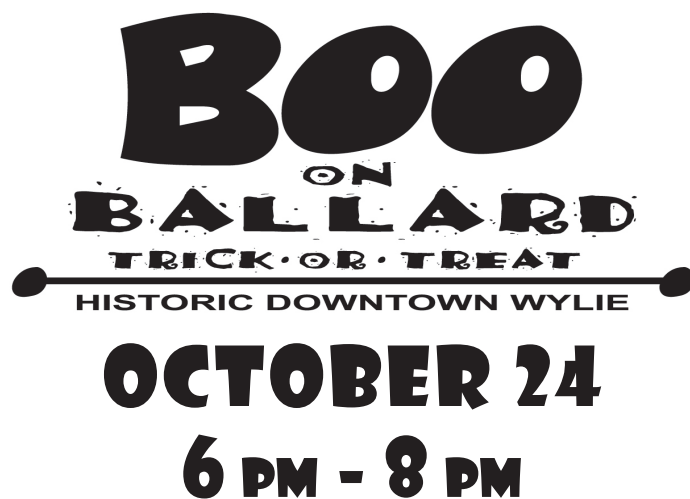


Dodd Elementary student Gabriella Williams, joins firefighters and Wylie Wild Bunch actors Jeff Pynes and Andrew Johnson on set during a recent Fire Safety program.



November 9 • 8 am - 4 pm
Wylie Service Center
949 Hensley Lane
(Behind Founders Park)

Dispose of residential household hazardous waste, electronics, household metal appliances, automotive tires and document shredding. Brush and bulk will not be accepted. For complete details including acceptable items and limits, go to WylieTexas.gov/xtremegreen.



Join downtown merchants and non-profit organizations for this free trick-or-treat event in historic downtown Wylie on Ballard Avenue.



Wylie ARTS FESTIVAL

ART • CRAFTS • MUSIC • FOOD • TREE LIGHTING

Saturday, December 7 • 10 am - 7 pm

FBC Wylie Event Center

(200 N. Ballard Avenue)

5:30 pm Christmas Parade

7:00 pm Tree Lighting

WylieTexas.gov/artsfestival



Medication Disposal

October 26 • 10 am - 2 pm

Wylie Police Department

2000 North Highway 78

Prevent pill abuse, theft and accidents, by ridding your home of expired, unwanted or unused prescription and over the counter medications. The service is free and anonymous--no questions asked. Syringes and needles will not be accepted.

**The Wylie Police Association
& The Citizens Police
Academy**



Charity Toy Drive & Race

Saturday, December 7 • Olde City Park

9:00 am Frosty 5k; 9:20 am Mistletoe Mile

**Pre-Register By Nov. 8 - \$10 and New Unwrapped Toy
Race Day Registration - \$15 and New Unwrapped Toy**

Toys Benefit Wylie's Fostering Hope Toy Drive
Registration includes t-shirt while supplies last

wylietexas.gov/policeacademy

November 5 General Election

Exercise your right to vote. Early voting for the November 5 election begins Monday, October 21 and runs through Friday, November 1. Collin County voters may vote at any Collin County vote center during early voting and election day.

Remember, a photo ID is now required to vote in person. For details on locations and times, go to www.co.collin.tx.us/elections.



Fun & Learning

Rita & Truett Smith Public Library

300 Country Club Road, Building 300

972-516-6250

www.WylieTexas.gov/library

Hours:	Mon., Tue. & Thurs.	Noon - 8 pm
	Wednesday	9 am - 6 pm
	Friday	11 am - 5 pm
	Saturday	9 am - 4 pm
	Sunday	Closed

All Events Are Free and Open to the Public

Storytime Days, Times and Ages

Books & Babies (ages 0-1); Fridays, 11 am; 20 minutes long

Toddler Time (ages 1-2); Wednesdays, 9 am & 9:45 am, Fridays 11:30 am

Big Kids (ages 3-5); Wednesdays 10:30 am & 11:15 am; Thursdays 1:30 pm

Family Storytime (all ages); Tuesdays, 6:30 pm; 30 minutes long

Week of October 28 - Happy Halloween (Come in Costume)

Week of November 4 - Transportation Tales

Week of November 11 - Funny Fairy Tales

Week of November 18 - Yummy Yucky

Week of November 24 - Gracias

Teen Book Club, November 7, 5 pm

6th - 12th graders only. *Uptown Dreams* by Kelli London.

Booked on Fridays, November 8, Noon - 1:30 pm

Bring your lunch the 2nd Friday of each month for fun reads and light conversation. This month *W is for Wasted* by Sue Grafton.

Fourth Monday Book Club, 6:30 pm, Adults 18 and up

November 18 - Bring suggestions and help plan for 2014.

Wagging Tales, Tuesdays, 3:30 pm - 4:15 pm

Practice reading aloud to Abby the Collie. Tickets are required and will be distributed on a first come basis the day of the program.

BeTween Book & Movie Club, 6 pm

4th and 5th graders are invited to talk about books and movies. Sign up at the children's desk for a free copy of the book. Snack Provided.

October 31 - *Nim's Island* by Wendy Orr

November 21 - *Bridge of Terabithia* by Katherine Paterson

My Very Own Book Club, 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm, Nov. 13 & 15

1st, 2nd and 3rd graders are invited to talk about books and make a craft. The first 40 kids to sign up receive a free copy of the book, *Curious George* by H.A. Rey.

Family Game Night, November 12, 6 pm

Celebrate International Game Day and spend time with the family playing board games, card games and more.

Friends of the Library Meeting, November 21, 6 pm

Support the Smith Public Library by getting involved with the Friends of the Library.

Go to WylieTexas.gov/library for details on other programming including computer and GED classes, or access the library catalog and books online.